

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Mark E. Deem, et al.                      Art Unit : 3734  
Serial No. : 10/820,581                              Examiner : Lindsey Michele Bachman  
Filed : April 7, 2004                                  Conf. No. : 8576  
Title : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CARDIAC VALVE REPAIR

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO ACTION OF JANUARY 27, 2009

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A listing of the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below in accordance with 37 CFR 1.8(a)(1)(i)(C).

June 29, 2009

Date of Transmission

Signature

*Cecilia Tobin*

Cecilia Tobin

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate